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1. VIETNAM'S UN MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION --

INDIAN PERMREP JAIPAL TOLD AMB LEONARD THAT A

REPRESENTATIVE GROUP OF NONALIGNED DELEGATIONS AGREED WITH THE VIETNAMESE ON THE DESIRED LANGUAGE FOR THE SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING VIETNAM'S ADMISSION TO UN MEMBERSHIP. HE ADDED THAT IT IS STANDARD LANGUAGE AND IDENTICAL WITH THAT USED IN THE DJIBOUTI ADMISSION RESOLUTION JUL Y7. INDIA WAS DELEGATED RESPONSIBILITY FOR ROUNDING UP COSPONSORS, AND JAIPAL ASKED WHETHER THE US WOULD BE WILLING TO COSPONSOR. HE SAID FRANCE HAD INDICATED ITS WILLINGNESS TO COSPONSOR. (WHEN VIETNAM'S MEMBERSHIP WAS CONSIDERED BY THE SC IN NOV. 1976, THERE WERE 11 COSPONSORS OF THE DRAFT RESOLUTION, THE UK, CANADA AND FRG HAVE EXPRESSED STRONG DESIRE TO CONSULT WITH US REGARDING COSPONSORSHIP.)

JAIPAL WENT ON TO SAY THAT THE VIETNAMESE EXPRESSED A DESIRE FOR A LONG SC MEETING SPANNING SEVERAL SESSIONS, BUT NONALIGNED REPRESENTATIVES DISCOURAGED THAT. HE SAID THE GROUP TOOK NO DECISION ON SPEAKERS LIST OR LENGTH OF MEETING AND THE VIETNAMESE WENT AWAY OBVIOUSLY DIS-SATISFIED AND PROBABLY INTENDING TO COMMENCE ORGANIZING THEIR OWN LIST OF SPEAKERS. (CONFIDENTIAL -- USUN 2239, 2248)

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2. NAMIBIA --

AMB MCHENRY HELD HOUR-LONG DISCUSSION WITH AHTISAARI, UN COMMISSIONER FOR NAMIBIA, AT LATTER'S REQUEST, WHICH COVERED VARIETY OF ISSUES RELATING TO WESTERN FIVE INITIATIVE, AND WAS NOTABLE FOR REVEALING AHTISAARI'S FRUSTRATION WITH SYG WALDHEIM'S RELUCTANCE TO UNDERTAKE ANY CONTINGENCY PLANNING FOR UN INVOLVEMENT IN NAMIBIA. AHTISAARI APPEARED ANXIOUS TO HAVE THOROUGH UNDERSTANDING, BEFORE LEAVING FOR THREE-WEEK VACATION IN FINLAND, OF LATEST DEVELOPMENTS CONCERNING NAMIBIA. HE SAID HE HAD ADVISED SWAPO UN REP GURIRAB THAT MEETING OF SWAPO PRESIDENT NUJOMA WITH CONTACT GROUP IN NEW YORK WOULD BE USEFUL FOR ALL. HE WAS PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN WHAT CONTACT GROUP CONSIDERED TIME SCHEDULE ON NAMIBIA TO BE; WHAT WESTERN FIVE KNEW ABOUT SOUTH AFRICAN PROPOSED ADMINISTRATOR GENERAL STEYN; AND TO WHAT EXTENT SAG MILITARY WOULD BE PRESENT IN NAMIBIA DURING ELECTION PROCESS AND HOW THE SECURITY COUNCIL COULD BE EXPECTED TO REACT TO IDEA OF UN TROOPS IN NAMIBIA. AFTER MCHENRY SAID THE CONTACT GROUP UN-FORTUNATELY FOUND SYG WALDHEIM RELUCTANT TO DEVELOP ANY CONTINGENCY PLAN FOR UN INVOLVEMENT WITHOUT FIRST RECEIVING ENCOURAGEMENT TO DO SO FROM SWAPO, AHTISAARI COMMENTED, "AH, YOU HAVE NOTICED THAT, TOO," AND ADDED HE HAD TRIED UNSUCCESSFULLY TO GET UN TO BEGIN PLANNING FOR UN INVOLVEMENT IN NAMIBIA.

WESTERN FIVE AGREED TO CERTAIN CHANGES IN TEXT OF TALKING POINTS TO SOUTH AFRICA, REVIEWED RELEVANT PORTION OF FOREIGN MINISTER BOTHA'S JUNE 24 UN PRESS CONFERENCE CONCERNING WITHDRAWAL OF MILITARY FORCES FROM NAMIBIA, AND DISCUSSED FUNDING OF PROPOSED SWAPO TALKS IN NEW YORK. THE FIVE ALSO DESIGNATED A THREE-MAN DRAFTING TEAM WHICH WILL PREPARE A SYNOPSIS OF THE PELCOVITS STUDY, AND AGREED TO BRIEF THE SCANDINAVIANS AS A GROUP ON THE WESTERN INITIATIVE AND BEGIN GIVING INDIVIDUAL BRIEFINGS TO
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AFRICAN AMBASSADORS IN NEW YORK ON A SYSTEMATIC BASIS.
(CONFIDENTIAL -- USUN 2242, 2250)

3. COMMITTEE OF 24 CONSIDERATION OF PUERTO RICO --

RAPPORTEUR GLAYEL (SYRIA) TOLD MISOFF THAT HE IS SEEKING TO ENSURE THAT THE UPDATE OF THE 1974 COMMITTEE OF 24 REPORT ON PUERTO RICO IS OBJECTIVE AND BALANCED, AND SAID HE WOULD BE HAPPY TO HAVE OUR COMMENTS ON ANY "MISTAKES" THAT WE PERCEIVE AND THAT IF PERSUADED HE WOULD CHANGE THE REPORT ACCORDINGLY. HE ANTICIPATES RETURNING A CORRECTED DRAFT TO THE SECRETARIAT WEEK OF JULY 18 AND THAT THE REPORT WILL BE CIRCULATED JUST PRIOR TO THE COMMITTEE'S CONSIDERATION OF PUERTO RICO ON AUG. 15.

USUN LEARNED THAT REPRESENTATIVES OF THE FOLLOWING ORGANIZATIONS HAVE PETITIONED TO APPEAR BEFORE THE COMMITTEE WHEN IT CONSIDERS PUERTO RICO: PUERTO RICAN PEACE COUNCIL; CHRISTIANS FOR SOCIALISM; NATIONAL COMMITTEE IN FAVOR OF LIBERTY FOR NATIONALIST POLITICAL PRISONERS; PUERTO RICAN SOLIDARITY COMMITTEE OF NEW YORK; PUERTO RICANS AGAINST STATEHOOD; COMMUNIST PARTY OF PUERTO RICO; AND AMERICANS FOR DEMOCRATIC ACTION. IN ADDITION; THERE ARE ALSO SOME INDIVIDUAL PETITIONERS NOT REPRESENTING ORGANIZATIONS. (CONFIDENTIAL -- USUN 2245, 2246)

4. US MILITARY BASES IN GUAM --

ALTHOUGH THE COMMITTEE OF 24 SUBCOMMITTEE ON SMALL TERRITORIES ADOPTED LANGUAGE ON THE US MILITARY PRESENCE IN GUAM WHICH IS AN IMPROVEMENT OVER LAST YEAR, THE COMMITTEE OF 24 DRAFT CONSENSUS STATEMENT ON MILITARY ACTIVITIES CONTAINS SUBSTANTIALLY HARSHER LANGUAGE ON
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MILITARY BASES THAN LAST YEAR. SEALY (TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO) TOLD MISOFF HE VIEWED THE LANGUAGE IN THE CONSENSUS, AS DO MANY OTHERS, AS REFLECTING THE "HEATING UP OF THE COLD WAR" AT THE UN. COMMITTEE SECRETARY TANAKA PERSONALLY

DOUBTS ANY CHANGE IN THE MILITARY ACTIVITIES LANGUAGE IS POSSIBLE BECAUSE THE POSITIONS ARE SO DIAMETRICALLY OPPOSED, ALTHOUGH HE ADMITTED THAT CHAIRMAN SALIM (TANZANIA) MIGHT BE ABLE TO MODIFY THE LANGUAGE SOMEWHAT. GLAYEL (SYRIA) AND DUBEY (INDIA) WERE NOT OPTIMISTIC EITHER ABOUT IMPROVING THE LANGUAGE, DUBEY CITING INCREASING

US/SOVIET TENSIONS AS THE CAUSE FOR THE OBJECTIONABLE LANGUAGE. (CONFIDENTIAL -- USUN 2251)

5. RHODESIAN SANCTIONS COMMITTEE --

DURING THE COMMITTEE'S JULY 11 MEETING, JUO (PRC) LAUNCHED A HARSH VERBAL ATTACK ON THE USSR IN WHICH, IN ADDITION TO THE USUAL "SOCIALIST-IMPERIALIST" CHARGES, HE DENOUNCED A SOVIET MISSION PRESS RELEASE THAT CLAIMED THE PRC HAD BEEN BUYING LARGE AMOUNTS OF GOLD FROM SOUTH AFRICA AND CHROME ORE FROM RHODESIA, AND BRANDED THE RELEASE AS TANTAMOUNT TO A THIEF CRYING THIEF. SOVIETS, TAKEN BY SURPRISE, REPLIED ONLY TO RECALL THAT PRC HAD SIDED WITH IMPERIALIST COLONIALIST POWERS DURING THE ANGOLA WAR. (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE -- USUN 2236)

6. LAW OF THE SEA CONFERENCE --

AS THE FINAL WEEK OF THE CURRENT SESSION OF THE LOS CONFERENCE BEGAN, CONSIDERABLE UNCERTAINTY EXISTED REGARDING THE PROBABLE SHAPE OF THE COMMITTEE I PORTION OF THE COMPOSITE TEXT. ALTHOUGH EVENSEN PREPARED REVISED COMPROMISE TEXTS FOR CERTAIN KEY ARTICLES, IT IS NOT YET CLEAR THAT CHAIRMAN ENGO WILL TRANSMIT THEM INTACT TO PRESIDENT AMERASINGHE. FURTHERMORE, THE ISSUE OF A

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FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS TEXT WAS STILL BEING HOTLY DEBATED, AND RUMORS PERSISTED THAT ENGO WOULD INTRODUCE HIS OWN PROPOSAL ON TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER. IN RECENT DAYS, ENGO HAS RECEIVED NUMEROUS REPRESENTATIONS FROM DELEGATIONS (INCLUDING THE US) PLEADING THEIR CASES ON VARIOUS ISSUES. COMMITTEE II HELD ITS LAST SCHEDULED MEETING FOR THE SESSION, AND COMMITTEE III HELD AN INFORMAL MEETING ON SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH TO SUMMARIZE RESULTS OF THE SESSION. (CONFIDENTIAL -- USUN 2232)

7. UNFICYP TROOP REDUCTION --

USYG URQUHART INFORMED AMB LEONARD THAT THE UN HAS DECIDED NOT TO REQUEST AN IRISH CONTINGENT FOR UNFICYP TO REPLACE THE DEPARTING FINNISH TROOPS. HE NOTED THAT AN IMPORTANT FACTOR IN THIS DECISION WAS UN CONGRESSIONAL QUESTIONING OF UNFICYP OPERATION IN CONNECTION WITH US FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION, AND HE HOPED IT WOULD BE HELPFUL

IN SEEKING CONGRESSIONAL APPROVAL OF US CONTRIBUTION.
HE REITERATED EARLIER APPEAL FOR US SUPPORT IN RESPONDING
TO EXPECTED GREEK PROTEST. (CONFIDENTIAL -- USUN 2234)

8. ASSAULT ON MEMBER OF SOVIET UN MISSION --

AFTER MANY UNSUCCESSFUL CALLS AND VISITS TO THE
SOVIET MISSION BY NEW YORK CITY POLICE AND FBI IN AN
ATTEMPT TO INTERVIEW COL. CHERNYSHEV CONCERNING THE
ASSAULT INCIDENT JULY 7, THE SOVIETS INFORMED THE FBI
THAT CHERNYSHEV WOULD NOT BE AVAILABLE FOR INTERVIEW AS
HE WAS RETURNING TO THE SOVIET UNION. THEY ADDED THAT
THE ONLY INFORMATION HE COULD HAVE FURNISHED WAS THAT HE
WAS "ACOSTED FROM BEHIND BY TWO UNKNOWN WHITE MALES" WHO
SAID "GIVE US YOUR MONEY."
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SOVIET DEPUTY PERMREP OVINNIKOV, DURING PRELIMINARY
CHAT BEFORE DISCUSSION OF ANOTHER SUBJECT, COMMENTED TO
AMB LEONARD THAT THE SOVIETS WERE PUZZLED ABOUT THE IN-
CIDENT BECAUSE CHERNYSHEV WAS NOT ROBBED. ALTHOUGH HE
SUFFERED CUTS AND ABRASIONS ABOUT THE HEAD AND FACE AND
WAS TEMPORARILY KNOCKED UNCONSCIOUS, HE WAS UP AND ABOUT
TENDING HIS DUTIES IN THE MISSION, SOVIETS ADDED.
(CONFIDENTIAL -- USUN 2231, 2241)

9. NEGOTIATIONS ON UNIDO CONSTITUTION --

FROM SECRETARIAT OFFICIAL, MISOFF LEARNED THAT
THE SYG IS SENDING TELEGRAM JULY 13 TO FOREIGN MINISTER
OF MEMBERS GOVERNMENT OF UNIDO CONVENING CONFERENCE OF
PLENIPOTENTIARIES AUG. 29, REQUESTING NAMES OF DELE-
GATION MEMBERS BY JULY 29, AND STATING THAT LETTER
PROVIDING DETAILS WILL FOLLOW. ALTHOUGH LETTER ON
RESUMPTION OF NEGOTIATIONS ON UNIDO CONSTITUTION IS
ALREADY DRAFTED, HE SAID, THERE IS STILL UNCERTAINTY
REGARDING WHAT TITLE TO GIVE TO THE CONFERENCE.
(LIMITED OFFICIAL USE -- USUN 2240)

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10. BRAZILIAN CANDIDACY FOR REELECTION TO ICSC --

THE BRAZILIAN MISSION INFORMED USUN BY NOTE
THAT BRAZIL IS PRESENTING THE CANDIDACY OF ANTONIO
FONSECA PIMENTEL FOR REELECTION TO THE INTERNATIONAL
CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION AT THE 32ND GA. (USUN
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